HANGED HER FOUR BABES.

The Awful Act of an Insane Mother at Harlan, Ia.

Omaha, May 25.-Mrs. A. Peterson, the wife of a farmer near Harlan, Ia., and her four children were found dead yesterday in their cellar. They had evidently been dead three or four days and the mother had havged th m, one after the other. First the searchers found the little girl, aged 4, with her tees touching the ground; then her sister, aged 10, hanging near her; a boy of 9, with one foot touching a a boy of 9, with one foot touching a wash tub, on which he had stood, and bis brother and 11 approached a best brother and 11 approached as best brother and 12 approached as best brother as best bro his brother, aged 11, suspended so low that his feet almost touched the ground. The mother, half smiling, had hanged herself after dispatching her children. All were neatly dressed and the work had been done deliberately with ropes attached to spikes driven into the timbers or put through holes bored for them.

The mother evidently stood the children on a wash tub and pulled the tub from beneath them, and as they choked to have hanged herself. The appearance of the younger children indicated a violent struggle for life. The father had recently been committed to an insane asylum.

The wife left a letter asking that \$163, which she had in bank and in the house, be used for funeral expenses. The letter also stated that the farm was paid for and no claim could be held against it.

It is thought that the bodies had been hanging since last Wednes-

CANNON FAILS TO AWAKE. Thereupon Mrs. Norton's Relatives Deemed Her Dead and Buried Her.

Montpelier. Vt., May 25. - Friends the opinion whether she was dead enue. when placed in her coffin. Mrs. Norton "died" the other day, after an illturned partly over in the coffin, the there was a family secret connected hands, which had been crossed on the with the estate, which he was in turn breast, had been moved and one arm awakened from a trance. The body novel, the manuscript of which he of friends near by and taken from the and his fiance took apartmen's at coffin. The wise men and women of the Teft house, and the Rev. Henry the neighborhood exchanged opinions A. Adams was engaged to perform

For three days the body was held while the discussion went on. Then where. somebody suggested that the firing of a cannon would settle whether the woman was dead or only in a trance. The undertaker went over to Middlebury and procured an old smooth bore cannon. The body was brought out and placed on a couch in the front yard. The cannon was fired three times. All the windows in the hous? rattled and the hens and sheep got a scare from which they have not recovered yet, but the body never stirred. Then they buried it.

through talking about it yet and some of them still believe the woman was as previous orcasions, at the hands of in a trance.

VULGAR EVANGELISM.

Methodist preachers of the city are marks on him that he would carry to all in a tangle, the lines being drawn the grave. Later on Slaughter began between the pastors of little side-again to guy him, when he picked up street churches and those who preach a revolver that was lying on a table, to more pretentious congregations. took deliberate aim at his annoyer Some time ago they all united in in- and exclaimed, "I could blow your Methodist preacners at once withdrew a heavy bail bond. The parties are their support from him The small- all highly connected. fry preschers got together and pledged the indersement of the Methodist Church to the methods of the evange-

IF YOU HAVE

Narrow Escape of a Canadian Young Lady.

Catharine, Ont., who assembled here to J. Perry Bowen, took a heart-broken girl back to Canada, for the bridegroom deserted her at the last hour.

J. Perry Bowen, professing to be a an occupant of the same house. young man to whom she was engaged for two years and became engaged Bowen. He was a band-

some, well-dressed man 32 years of age, but seemingly younger, a fluent concluded to send her to a specialist talker and apparently familiar with in St. Louis for treatment. Dr. Jos. most of the cities of the world. He represented himself as an Englishman, whose family was living at Eighth and C streets, Washington, and the Mrs. Cherot's, 2914 Chestnut street. frequency with which he received letters and telegrams from Washington seemed to bear out his assertion. According to his story his father had bequeathed him a fortune of \$60,000 Last Friday a week Miss McMichael of Mrs. Mary Norton, wife of Allison bequeathed him a fortune of \$60,000 Norton, of Addison, are divided in so invested as to produce large rev-

Besides his elegant home in Washington, he elaborately described his ness of four weeks with the grip. A home in St. Augustine, Fla., where funeral was held and the body was he proposed to take his bride. In taken to a private cemetery near Midone of the letters which be received. dlebury. Before burial the coffin was from his mother she urged him not to opened and the mourners were startled divulge the death-bed secret of his ed by what they saw. The body had father. He explained this by saying compelled to swear never to make had been raised toward the head. known. Bowen said his sister, Agnes was that of one who had partially Bowen devoted himself to writing a was immediately removed to the house left behind him. On Wednesday he on the strange affair and the entire population for miles around came to fook on the life-like corpse. The doctors and undertaker asserted that the woman was dead. The wise men and women were divided in their view and women were divided in their view and the neighbors did not know what to night Rowan disappeared and then it was postponed, Bowen announcing that it must be deterred until his mother and sister, who were secompanied by a distinguished party from Washington, could arrive. That welcome her home and know she is forced.

A. Adams was engaged to perform the marriage ceremony. At the last moment it was postponed, Bowen announcing that it must be deterred until his mother and sister, who were secompanied by a distinguished party from Washington, could arrive. That welcome her home and know she is safe. was found that he had borrowed money and contracted debts every-

Miss Flenner's trunk was seized for the hotel bill, and Friday night her relatives took her back to Canada.

A TRAGEDY FROM A JEST.

Paducah, Ky., May 27.-At a late hour last night Beverly Reed and John Slaughter, were in a room, with spent the evening convivially. Banter But the Addison folks have not got and Reed had been the butt of considerable ridicule, on this as well Slaugh er. So irritated did he become that he remarked to a companion that John was bigger than he was, but if Atlanta, Ga., May 27.—The he didn't quit that he would inflict

THE FIRST STEP.

list. This so outraged the big preachers who were not present that they have now taken the field against Culpepper, and have appealed to the press not to notice the evangelist hereafter.

Ferhaps you are run down, can't est, can't think, can't do anything to your satisfaction, and you wonder what ails you. You should heed the warning, you are taking the first step into Nervous notice the evangelist hereafter.

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Ferhaps you are run down, can't est, can't them. Loren Trescott are keepton of the Gav. Lighthouse at Sand Beach, four years old. Last April she was taken down with measles, followed with a dread-ful cough and tuning into a fever. Document of the can't the can't down with measles, followed with a dread-ful cough and tuning into a fever. Document of the can't the c Perhaps you are run down, can't est,

NO PLACE LIKE HOME.

Girl Flying to a Mother's Em-

Plattsburg, Mo., May 24.-The excitement over the proposed abduction of Miss Julia McMichael of this city, has abated. Miss McMichael has been

found in Chicago.

Mrs. McMichael, the mother, received a letter this morning from her daughter in Chicago, stating she was all right and would return home if her mother would forgive her. It St. Louis, and of Mrs. Cherot of 2914 Chestnut street, St. Louis, she must be demented at times. Miss Mc-Michael is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. McMichael of this city, one Buffalo, N. Y., May 24.—The of the oldest and most respected families. Mr. McMichael is engaged extensively in the real estate and Friday night to attend her marriage mining business in Bu-na Vista, Colo., and two years ago took his family there to live, and shortly after his two oldest daughters died on the same day and were buried together. literary man of wealthy family, ar-rived in Buffalo three weeks ago and Miss Julia's mind. She is 23 years of engaged apartments at a fashionable age, five feet in height, and weighs boarding house. Miss Flenner was 130 pounds, has gray eyes, and dark hair, and is a beautiful young woman, Within two weeks she dismissed the notwithstanding she imagines that she is affected with some skin disease and it seems to be that, and the loss of her

sisters, that worries her. About two weeks ago her parents Grindon of St. Louis was selected by Miss McMichael's parents and she After two visits, Dr. Grindon wrote to her parents and said there was very little the matter with the young lady, wired her folks she was coming home and to meet her at the depot. They went, but the young woman did not

Louis and Chicago. in a private family. Before he ar-rived the case was taken in hand by Alderman W. K. Keer of Chicago,

family residence to-day. Shortly af- but the Tazeweil county farmers ter the interview the mother received have their emissaries here watching the following dispatch:

HYDE PARK, ILL, May 23. Mrs. Julia McMichael, Plattsburg, Mo. Left here et 3:30 p. m. with her cousin W. D. Hockaday, for home. M. P. MOBBISEY.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

COCKERILL TO START A PAPER. other shake-up this week. Mr. George W. Turner, the business man-ager of the New York World, has tendered his resignation to Mr. Davis, the vice-president of the company, who is Mr. Pulitzer's brother-in-law and the responsible head of the concern. Mr. Turner will join Col. John A. Cockerill, late of the World, and start a new morning daily, which is expected to make its appearance about preachers who had intelligent congregations. He announced a sermon to men only in which be took a census of their sexual experiences, which for of their sexual experiences, which for vulgarity had never been heard of before. He then described certain phases in his own life in language decidedly salacious. The leading rested, but was afterwards released on Methodist preacuers at once withdray a heavy ball head. The leading rested of their sexual experiences, which for right nipple and between the sixth and several through the wounded man still lingers, the doctors say he can not live. Reed was arrested, but was afterwards released on the commence operations until the commence of the saturday aftermoon, at which Col. Cockerill, Mr. Turner, several capitalists and several well known newspaper men were present. It is alleged that \$200,000 was subscribed, but it was decided not to commence operations until not to commence operations until ties of his speech. Ditch bears on his \$350,000 was raised.

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MISS GERBER'S ASSAILANT

Found Hiding in a Lumber Yard in a Dilapidated Condition and Arrested.

Peoria, Ill., May 27.-George went, but the young woman did not Ditch, the supposed assailant of Miss come. Her mother then wired Mrs. Gerber, the Hilton echool teacher, Cherot and the reply came that her was arrested here to-day about 1 daughter had left the city. Mrs. o'clock. He was found hiding in a Michael then wired Dr. Grindon and lumber yard and presented a most his reply was the same. She then dilapidated appearance. His clothes wired the doctor to put the case in the hands of the p lice, detectives of St. He was loaded into a patrol wagon and hastily driven to the jail, his W. D. Hockaday of this city, left limbs shaking with fear and his face for St. Louis the 21st inst., and as white as a sheet. It is not possi learned she had bought a ticket for ble that a dozen people recognized Young lady employed as a domestic wretch last evening drave him into

who has been in constant communica-tion with the family of Miss McMich-ael. Dr. Grindon has also been of shore. The Tazewell county officers every movement. Should news reach here that his victim is dead his life would not be safe in Peoria, although the jail is well guarded. As soon as Ditch was landed in jail, an attempt was made to interview him. Whether guilty or not be is the most scared man that has been seen in these parts for many a day.

He makes a strong denial of the New York, May 26.—The New crime. There is no doubt, however, in the mind of the authorities that they have the right man. George Ditch bears an uneviable reputation. He is about 38 years of age had his occupation is that of a coal miner, although it has been some time since he has been known to do any work. Something over a year ago his wife died, I aving a little boy about 10 -The debt of the Argentine Re-years old and a step-daughter aged public amounts to \$150 per capita, 15. The latter was taken away from him because it was believed he was his name. The Barings and other administration. It would be exceedviting a strolling evangelist, named brains out, and I would do it for two did so, but soon disgusted these made a grab for his arm, and one life miserable to her by his attentions. Ha spent some months late in the county jail, where he was employed as a trusty. When he made the assault on Miss Gerber he wore a white mask over his face, but the lady accurately described his clothing, and even the peculiari-

hands the marks of fresh scratches. They were doubtless inflicted by Miss Gerber while fighting for her honor. The condition of Miss Gerber and accounts from the neighborhood would indicate that it was not a mere attempt at assault, but that the crime had been consummated.



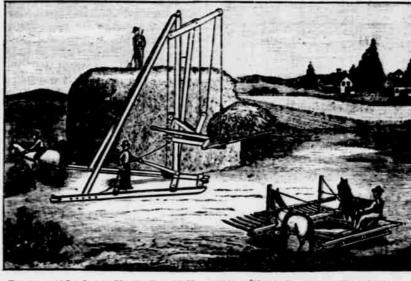
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-The conduct of the Itata is nautical without being nice.

-One beauty about the gold situation is that we have p'enty more of it sportive and speculative Mr. Raum,

ticket in the field in Ohio expressly to attorneys are adroit they may be able With the people's party and also the Mr. Quay, who is popularly believed

gentine to get exciting information eyes of justice for Mr. Raum to atabout fluctuating and fleeting finan-tempt to justify his offense because ces. Still the financial atmosphere is somebody e'se committed one, and it rapidly clearing in the Quaker City is hoped his defense will not take this and in a few days all will be serene. Philadelphia has had a few dishonest barrassment it would cause. bank officials, but some of the strong-

Platt is awfully neglected of late. Where one republican bows down before him and rubs his humble whiskers in the dust several pass by on the other side and heave bricks at him.

-It is sincerely hoped that the r., when placed upon his trial, will not set up the plea that in selling an public amounts to \$150 per capita, office or two he was following a prin-and not one man in ten has \$25 on ciple early established in the Harrison and mark the postmaster generalship The third party expect to put a s350,000, more or less. If Mr. Raum's people after McKinley his Napoleonic to have handled some of the boodle. Compared to this alleged deal Mr. Raum's offerse, involving a couple of -The people of Philadelphia do hundred dollars, is quite small. Still not have to read the news from Arcourse. And, besides, think of the em-